

STATE OF IOWA
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
UTILITIES BOARD

IN RE: IOWA TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES, INC.	DOCKET NO. RPU-01-7
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ORDER SUSPENDING PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

(Issued September 28, 2001)

On June 1, 2001, Iowa Telecommunications Services, Inc., d/b/a Iowa Telecom (Iowa Telecom), submitted a proposed tariff revision concerning its Premium Calling Plan. The filing was identified as TF-01-159. On June 29, 2001, the Utilities Board (Board) issued an order docketing the tariff for an investigation, identified as Docket No. RPU-01-7. The Board subsequently set a procedural schedule in this matter, pursuant to which the prepared direct testimony of the Consumer Advocate Division of the Department of Justice (Consumer Advocate) is due on September 28, 2001.

On September 27, 2001, Consumer Advocate filed a motion to suspend the procedural schedule in this docket. Consumer Advocate states that the parties to the case have reached agreement that resolves the issues in the case and are now preparing the settlement documents for the Board's consideration, a process which will be facilitated if the procedural schedule is suspended and Consumer Advocate is not required to file its prepared direct testimony today. Finally, Consumer Advocate states that Iowa Telecom joins in the motion to suspend.

The Board will grant a two-week suspension of the procedural schedule to allow the parties time to prepare and file the necessary settlement documents. If no such filing is made within two weeks of the date of this order, the Board will establish a new procedural schedule.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

The "Motion To Suspend Procedural Schedule" filed by the Consumer Advocate Division of the Department of Justice on September 27, 2001, is granted. The procedural schedule in this docket is suspended for two weeks.

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/s/ Diane Munns

ATTEST:

/s/ Judi K. Cooper
Executive Secretary

/s/ Mark O. Lambert

Dated at Des Moines, Iowa, this 28th day of September, 2001.